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SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to learn of the death of Roscoe Garrett of Lake Forest, who passed away on March 13, 2015; and

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WHEREAS, Roscoe Garrett was born in Milwaukee, Wisconsin on July 9, 1923 to Logan T. and Rose (nee Bosch) Garrett; he spent his childhood in West Allis and Milwaukee, with an interlude of 2 years in Portland, Oregon; he graduated from West Allis Central High School in 1939 and married Jeanne Lucas on September 7, 1943; he served his country in the United States Army during World War II, fighting under General Patton during the Battle of the Bulge; he was awarded a Bronze Star for heroism in battle and was promoted to 1st Lieutenant while in Europe; he was able to begin his college studies while in the Army, attending the University of Maine and completed a Bachelor of Science degree in Electrical Engineering at the University of Wisconsin, graduating cum laude in 1948; and

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WHEREAS, Roscoe Garrett began work as an engineering draftsman at the Allen Bradley Corporation and enjoyed a successful career in engineering and business for the next 41 years; he was the President and Chief Operating Officer of the Riley Corporation, a publicly listed company, for several years, and subsequently was the general manager of the same

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1 business under a series of parent companies, including US
2 Filter, Ashland Oil, and Ametek; he retired from Ametek in
3 1989; and

4 WHEREAS, Roscoe Garrett and his wife were active in the
5 Deerfield community; they were also active members of Holy
6 Cross Catholic Church in Deerfield; they enjoyed many long-held
7 friendships in Deerfield and were involved in several
8 charitable organizations; and

9 WHEREAS, Roscoe Garrett was preceded in death by his wife
10 of 67 years, Jeanne; his sister, Carol Denig; his daughter,
11 Sally; his granddaughter, Maria; and his son, John "Jack"; and

12 WHEREAS, Roscoe Garrett is survived by his sons, Scott
13 (Susan) and Paul (Sharon); his grandchildren, Brett (Maryam),
14 Elizabeth Mettler (Matt), Alison, and Ben; and his
15 great-grandchildren, Abigail and Logan; therefore, be it

16 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL
17 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
18 Roscoe Garrett, and extend our sincere condolences to his
19 family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it
20 further

21 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be

1 presented to the family of Roscoe Garrett as an expression of
2 our deepest sympathy.